

### **DCP 439 Working Group Meeting 07**

31 July 2024 at 10:00 - Web-Conference

| Attendee                | Company           |
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| Working Group Members   |                   |
| Chris Ong [CO]          | UKPN              |
| David Fewings [DF]      | Inenco            |
| Donna Jamieson [DJ]     | IDCSL             |
| Jenny Harvey [JH]       | NGED              |
| Jo Brown [JB]           | NGED              |
| Michael Hewitson [MH]   | Trident Utilities |
| Monique Pereira [MP]    | Indigo Networks   |
| Peter Waymont [PW]      | UKPN              |
| Robert Mottershead [RM] | Sedulity Energy   |
| Ryan Farrell [RF]       | NPg               |
| Simon Vicary [SV]       | EDF               |
| Victoria Burkett [VB]   | SSE               |
| Code Administrator      |                   |
| Andy Green [AG]         | Chair             |
| George Kestner [GK]     | Secretariat       |
| Hannah Proffitt [HP]    | Secretariat       |
| Apologies               |                   |
| Emma Clark [EC]         | SSE               |



#### 1. Administration

#### Recording

1.1 The Chair asked members if they were comfortable for this Working Group to be recorded. No members objected to this request. The purpose of this recording is purely to aid the Technical Secretariat in producing an accurate report of the meeting. The recording will be deleted after the minutes are finalised.

#### **Apologies**

1.2 Apologies are noted in the table above.

#### **Competition Law Guidance and Terms of Reference**

- 1.3 The Working Group reviewed the "Competition Law Guidance" and "Terms of Reference". All Working Group members agreed to be bound by the Competition Law Guidance for the duration of the meeting and agreed to the Terms of Reference.
- 1.4 Regarding the Terms of Reference, the Chair reminded members that they are acting independently from their organisations.

#### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

1.5 The group reviewed the minutes and agreed that they were accurate.

#### **Action Log**

1.6 The group reviewed the actions. A summary can be found in the Appendix.

#### 2. Purpose of the Meeting

2.1 The Chair advised that the purpose of the meeting was to review the draft Change Report and agree next steps.

#### 3. Review of Change Report

- 3.1 The Chair presented the Change Report to members. The agreed amendments are summarised below.
  - Impacted Clauses updated to also include Schedule 32.
  - Timetable amended to account for the August Bank Holiday.
  - Section 5.9 expanded the acronyms COT and COS to Change of Tenancy and Change of Supplier.
  - The Chair agreed to ensure that the use of the terms backdating and backstop are consistent throughout the document.
  - Section 5.44 link to DCP 433 to be included in the document.
  - Section 5.54 wording updated for clarity.
  - Section 5.60 link to DCP 173 to be included in the document.



- Section 5.63 amended 'others' to the exact number of responders holding that view.
- Section 6.5 wording updated for clarity.
- Section 6.10 wording amended to clarify that DCP 173 was withdrawn due to conflicting opinions on what the solution should be.
- Section 6.16 'Terms and Conditions' to be written out in full.
- Section 6.21 members questioned the statement that the P402 report would need to change.
   The Chair clarified that this was raised in a consultation response. Thie was amended to clarify that the report does not reflect long periods of backdating.
- Section 7.2 updated to reflect that five out of nine Working Group members agreed that
  charging objective 6 is positively impacted. The Working Group did not agree with the
  consultation feedback that charging objectives 2 is negatively impacted. Two Working Group
  members agreed with the consultation feedback that charging objectives 3 is negatively
  impacted. One also believed that charging objectives 5 is negatively impacted.
- Section 8.4 updated to reflect that the consumer impact would be that the window for correcting any errors in the backdating of tariffs would be reduced from six years to the RF window.
- Section 10.1 added reference to the Legal Text Attachment. Wording amended to add clarity.

#### 4. Next Steps

4.1 The Chair agreed to complete a final check of the document and to issue this to members for review. A further meeting will be scheduled if necessary.

#### 5. Any Other Business

5.1 No other business was raised.

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### New and Open Actions

| Action Ref. | Action  | Owner | Update          |
|-------------|---|-------|-----------------|
| 04/01       | PW to confirm if there is a strict limitation on back dating tariffs/LLFC post migration in the new DNO billing system. | PW    | Action ongoing. |

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#### **Closed Actions**

| Action Ref. |  | Update |
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